

## **News Release**

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## **Local Corps engineers gear up for National Engineers Week**

The Fort Worth District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, is gearing up for its annual participation in National Engineers Week, Feb. 17-23, sponsored by the National Society of Professional Engineers.

Due to public response in past years to various displays at area malls, the district's Engineer Week committee is again coordinating exhibitry, this year at a mall in Fort Worth. Pictoral displays of engineering-related achievements by both private and government sectors will be exhibited throughout the week at Northeast Mall, from Tuesday, Feb. 19, through Saturday, Feb. 23. Engineers will be on hand to demonstrate the theme for the week, "Without Engineers the World Stops," and to increase awareness of the importance of engineering in daily life.

As in years past, the District will also be sending engineers to area middle schools in an outreach program to show students the practical applications of math and science and to talk with them about what engineers do.

In addition, district representatives will staff an information booth at the Industrial Open House, on Feb. 20, in the engineering building at the University of Texas at Arlington. Students visiting the Corps booth will learn of career opportunities with the Corps of Engineers and the engineering needs in the design and construction of military and civil projects.

The Fort Worth District provides engineering design and construction of flood control and water resources projects in Texas and construction of facilities at 17 military installations in Texas, Louisiana and New Mexico.

The Corps of Engineers, founded in 1775 by General George Washington, is the oldest and largest engineering organization in the world and encourages its engineers to become registered professional engineers. Of the Fort Worth District's 167 engineers, 128 are registered professional engineers.

Log onto <a href="www.eweek.org">www.eweek.org</a> and discover why "Without Engineers the World Stops." Meet some engineers with "cool" careers including a lead engineer on the NASA Space Walk program and a Disney "Imagineer". Read about 3,000 high school students who will design, build and test bridges for maximum load during a bridge building competition.

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